IN THE WORLD OF BOOKS

BY HECTOR FULLER.

started some ten or twelve years ago with the discovery that a demand for books, like a demand for dry goods or oyster crackers, could be created by extensive treme, and the book was the now almost defunct "When Knighthood Was in Flower." The book was as freely advertised as a three-ring circus, and the novelty of the advertising, together with the attractive title (invented by the pubthe half-million mark in the matter of midnight in the month of July. sales and placed it for a long time on the pinnacle of the "three best sellers." Up to this epoch in the book publishing trade, a novel had been obliged to make its way solely on its merits, but after this big success the literary advertisement began to grow, until it threatened, for a time, to crowd the patent whiskies and the soothing syrups into the background But though advertising is undoubtedly an excellent device, and has proved the foundation for many a merchant's fortune, there really needs, nowadays, to be something back of the advertisement, and the publishers have rather overdone the thing. Readers have come to see they are coming to rely less on the display ads and more on their own judg-

A striking modern instance of this is a "Blindfolded," and to emphasize its merits we have had pictures of most of the ago such methods would have crammed the book on to the shelves of many readers, but now it has not even sufficed A literary magazine which makes a specialty of feeling the popular literary month by month, finds that this much-advertised book is selling in only four out of thirty-seven cities, and one of the four is Indianapolis, the place where the book is published. It is worthy of note, too, that the "six best" of the month are all works by authors of established reputation. They are "The Fighting Chance," by Chambers; "Conisby Winston Churchill; "The Tides of Barnegat," by F. Hopkinson Smith; "The Awakening of Helena Richie," by Margaret Deland; "Jane Cable," by Mc-Cutcheon, and "The Dream of Heaven," by Marie Corelli.

To those who expect too much from the books they read, it is not amiss to recall the words which Elizabeth Barrett Browning spoke in "Aurora Leigh"

We get no good We get no good

By being ungenerous even to a book,
And calculating profits—so much help
By so much reading. It is rather when
We gloriously forget ourselves and plunge
Soul-forward, headlong, into a book's profound
Impassioned for its beauty and salt of truth—
Tis then we get the right good from a book.

not a very clever person, and a really elever novel seldom has a popular success It appeals to the critical, but it does not den and are only to be found by the elect. quite possible, therefore, that in a worldly sense a novelist may be too cleve novels are crowding the shelves of the public libraries until it has become a serious problem what to do with them all. is a good suggestion of the Librarian of Congress that only novels a year old shall be placed on the shelves, but so few of them last even one short year. It reminds one of the dialogue between the "How do you like these new novels they are turning out by the million? asked one. "I don't know," replied the other, "they never last long enough for

me to get a taste." The quotation in the above paragraph from "Aurora Leigh" reminds one that the present is the centenary year of Elizabeth Barrett Browning's birth. She was born at Coxhoe Hall, near Durham, on March 6, 1806, and died in Florence on June 29, 1861. Her appeal to literary sympathies has, on the whole, been somewhat wider than that of her distinguished husband, and her "Sonnets from the Portu guese" will probably remain for many rears the finest collection of true love sor nets in the language. In America we ar tenaries, and it is a bit amazing that so ing centenary should have been passed by with so little notice. It may be that ther will be a joint celebration in 1812, which i the centenary of Robert Browning.

What is to be the character of the novel of the future? The writers seem to have about exhausted the old-fashioned topics; love is going out of fashion, and married and lived happily ever after" which, lifted bodily from the old fairy stories, has done duty through the ages. has come to be something of a grim joke in this, the twentieth century. Defoe. who first gave the English novel its impetus and form, dealt sparingly with eve as a motive, and relied for his interest on the minuteness and verisimilitude back to his method, and the novel of the future threatens to be a compendium of useful information, sugar-coated. is nothing new under the sun, of course, for Sir Walter Scott's appeal lay chiefly in the skill with which he dished up in teresting characters against a background of more or less accurate history. The novels of Dickens were preachments on sociology with the saving grace of humor. Thackeray followed Fielding in his studies of humanity, and, like Field ing, used the novel as a means by which Beaconsfield tried, novels, to show us what the life of an ideal statesman should be. In our own day we are returning to detail, and Kir ling was among the first to start the new It was he who gave us the details of the life of cod-fishermen on the Newfoundland banks; his "The Ship Tha Found Herself" is a treatise on marine machinery, as his railroad stories are of the technical romance of locomotive Since his time Cy Warman and others have found the romance in the rail. H. G. Wells finds romance in dreams of Utopian; many writers are dealing with the fortunes of animals, and after "The Jungle," with its gory details of the packing houses, and the many stories built on the cruelty of fake insurance and

There seems to be son thing of a re- high finance, the novel seems to be taking action from the rush for the newest novel, a sort of disease among readers, which has belonged to the daily press and to Millan, and remarks on the matter w. w. to get his facts straight; even Kipling has blundered in some of his pseudo-scientific stories, and the greatest among advertising. It was an enterprising firm writers have made themselves ridiculous of Western publishers who first pushed through their blunders. La Fontaine, the shouting of literary wares to its exand the Cheese," makes the moon shine in the bottom of a well, when to do so the moon must have been near the zenith a condition impossible in the latitude of pointed out. Lamartine made the planet Venus rise in the evening, and even Daulishers), and some superficial merit in det has a shepherd in one of his stories the story itself, carried the novel to pointing out Sirus and Orion to a girl at

style were a thing separate and apart wishes of the lodge. from the writer's subject. The best example of style fitting the story, perhaps, is Kipling. The flavor of "The Gadsbys" is the flavor of Anthony Hope, because the subject is light and frothy; the flavor of "The Man Who Was," or of the work that had been done and would December. "The Mark of the Beast," is another thing, but it fits absolutely the subject of the carnival of nations, which will be matter. People are fond of talking of an interesting event in the near future. Kipling's style, as if it were a set thing that could be analyzed and picked to pieces, but as a matter of fact it is so that through ten long years the latest various that his sea stories, his East novel cannot always be the best, and once Indian yarns, his technical stories, his various that his sea stories, his East animal tales, might, so far as the variation in style is concerned, have been written by different persons. His style has changed greatly within recent years, new novel recently very heavily and because the style of the bookman is somewhat adroitly advertised. Its title is bound to be different from that of the Fourth Immunes, U. S. W. V., to bar its wearer forever from fashionable Battle Ship Louisiana Fitted Up man of action. His earlier stories Kipleading actors and actresses with a band- ling lived and felt through every fiber age about their eyes, and a testimonial to of his being; his later tales are the work the effect that the book is so absorbing in of the student, and have a musty flavor its interest that it has kept them awake vastly different from the vigor of the o' nights. This has been going on for old days. We are told that browsing some time, and undoubtedly five years among old times in a Sussex bookstore. among old times in a Sussex bookstore in a village near his farm, he came across an ancient Chronicle of Sussex which ers, but now it has not even sufficed to get the novel classed among "the best ling, like most wives whose husbands keep on loading the house down with books, objected to the latest purchase, by avowing that he was going to dig a new book out of those ancient tombs. He did, and "Puck of Pook's Hill" is the result. The story bears the stamp of truth, for, though the tales of "Puck" have a certain interest, they have a stale and musty taste-neither their style nor that was," as Mulvaney used to say. But speaking of style in literature, the best example of it, according to Andrew Lang, is in the story about the sailor who was called before his captain and asked to account for a furious fight that

readers seem, like the generation of business men, to be always in a hurry. They want amusement rather than instruction, But something has been more than a little Regiment, U. S. V.

Lieut. William Mellach, well known in military circles, is said to be slated for the position of senior vice commander. place of residence, and this letter, which States and Spain. seems to fix her sex: "Do not give my can't have them myself.'

> Speaking of New Zealand, which in all matters pertaining to municipal and county government is one of the most progressive on earth, there has recently returned there, one John McNab, minis-He has told them so much of the ident, occupying the chair, efficiency of the American library, that there will probably be an immediate attempt to better conditions in New Zea-Among other things that struck mechanical conveyer of books in use at he Congressional Library, and compared sclete methods of library management.

It is interesting to learn that recently n Japan Maeterlinck's "Monna Vana" was acted in Yokohama by a company of her Western trip. Japanese actors. This play, dealing with medieval Europe, one would think would have little appeal to the Japanese mind, was strikingly good. The performances were at the Meiji Theater, an institution the best actors of the empire are en-listed. The acting of Sada Yakko as marriage-with our increasing tendency Monna Vana was highly spoken of. Katoward divorce—has ceased to be a fitting wakami played the part of Marco, and it climax for a tale. "And so they were is said that in the part of Girido the actor Fujisawa presented the traditional face and figure of the splendid historical family of the Calomma, whose latest de-scendant in Rome to-day might be taken for a brother of the Japanese player. Maeterlinck's play was, of course, altered library, among them being "Fallina," a the proper angle well over the brow. n many essentials to suit it to the Japaese temperament, and as the climax of the play contained no motive which Jap-anese audiences could appreciate, the adapter took the liberty of making Monna Vana die, as Princivalle was led away she had saved were echoing noisily from appreciation of the members. The next muslin blouses. The high girdles are of the streets. It must have been an interesting experiment

I. O. O. F. LODGE VISITED.

Officers of the Order. Columbia Lodge, No. 10, I. O. O. F., had

a meeting Thursday evening on the occasion of the annual visitation of the officers of the Grand Lodge. About one hundred and fifty members of the order were present, including many from jurisdictions outside of Washington. Examination of the officers in the secret work. NEW GOWNS IN WASHINGTON an address by Past Grand Master W. W. der by the grand master wound up the the magazine. It is to be hoped, however, der by the grand master wound up the that the novelist of utility will be careful exercises of the evening in the lodge room, after which the assembled guests and members were conducted to the ban. quet room by the entertainment com-mittee and there spent an enjoyable two hours in eating and talking.

The chairman of arrangements, H. J Redfield, P. G., intimated in a short talk that the programme for the evening would differ in some respects from the ordinary custom, and instead of calling on the visitors to talk he would prefer that they enjoy themselves while some of

The grand master, in accepting the gift, made a speech on the order generally. Degree Master J. Edward Fowler, P. G., gest. talked entertainingly on the prospective work in store for the degree team, and George Gerberich, P. G., outlined some soon be undertaken toward the opening D. J. Dugan, P. G., of Covenant Lodge No. 13, was also called upon. The next visitation of the Grand Lodge will be to Union Lodge, to-morrow evening, No-

MAY PICK LIEUT. PEACOCK

Elect Chief in December.

Capt. Eberly, Who Holds the Position Now. Declines a Renomination.

Much interest is evinced among United Spanish War Veterans over the approaching annual election of officers of the and it is said that Kipling justified it Fourth Immune Camp, the membership of which contains many of the prominent

members of the organization. The present commander of the Fourth their interest comes up to the Kipling to persuade him. During his year of office of real life; the Kipling of "the days the membership of the camp has been increased nearly 50 per cent. During med in black wings. death, two by transfer, and one has been dropped from the rolls,

had taken place on the lower deck. Well, sir," said the sailor, "all I said was, "Thomas, will you please be kind enough to get out of my hammock and allow me to occupy it?" Says Mr. Lang: "The acted as corresponding secretary of the National Encontrast between what the sailor must committee throughout the residence at Lenox.

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Capt, Homer J. Lockling, it is under-I stood, will be the next chaplain of the

AMERICAN PEN WOMEN.

The League of American Pen Women ter of lands, who has been on a visit to held their regular monthly meeting in the United States. He has been telling the parlors of the University of Music the New Zealanders how sadly they are and Dramatic Art, 1347 L street northbehind in the matter of library facili- west, Mrs. Virginia King Frye, the pres-

the "Home Magazine," (Bobbs-Merrill Co.). Indianapolis. Ind.: Mrs. Margaret Mr. McNab was the advisability of ex- Hammond, widow of the late Judge Eli this she wears a new and modifies toole of ending the uses of the public library, so S. Hammond, of Memphis, Tenn., and that it may benefit the children of the Mrs. Paul Beck, of Colorado Springs, to match, and soft, round hat of black primary school, as it does in the United Colo., were admitted to active member-

A resolution of sympathy was passed he Congressional Library, and compared to the laborious book traffic of the umbering trolley in the British Museum

A resolution of sympathy was passed the counselor of the French embassy, who has just returned from her native land, is wearing a remarkably well-cut rough library. Although New Zealand is one Mrs. F. Carl Smith was appointed to fill cloth that might have either dark red or of the most loyal of the British colonies, the office of corresponding secretary pro brown as its predominating hue, the tis said that the loyalty will not extend tem. A resolution of sympathy was also blending of several tones being so delicate o the continuation of Great Britain's ob- passed for Mrs, Christine Walton Dun- as to leave the closest observer in doubt lap, who has recently been ill, and congratulations were extended upon her successful efforts in behalf of the Appomattox Surrender House Association, during at the bottom being entirely

and Miss Mary D. Carter, was appointed close fitting and single-breasted, totally

carrying out the project. by Mrs. Rosa Meyers Mumma, of Sea Girt, N. J., and "The Divine Life," by Mrs. Celestia Root Lang, of Chicago. Mrs. La Salle Corbell Pickett generously offered the use of her apartments at the

A NEW BALLAD OF THE OLD HOME

You may sing of homes of childhood far away down on the farm, Where in innocence bucolic once you played; There's a home down in the city, nineteen stories up, whose charm Throws the antiquated farmhouse in the shade. There's no honeysuckle twining, and no wild flowers blossom there,

Yet of homes to be remembered there is none that will compare With that dear old little home up in the flat. Though it knew no joyous ditties of a tuneful rustic band, It was filled with sounds, whose memory makes me sad, Of the man who plunked the banjo and the girl who banged the grand

And the chap that scraped the bargain-counter Strad. But my children reached a dozen, and I had to occupy Other quarters, where there's room to swing a cat; For 'tis quite beyond all reason to increase and multiply In that dear old little home up in the flat.

And no birds so sweetly warble, and all that;

WILLIAM TIPTON TALBOTT

Columbia, No. 10, Entertains Grand

Point Lace to Be Used as Profusely as Means Permit.

Mrs. Roosevelt Adheres to Simplicity Mrs. N. B. Scott, and Mme. de la

weddings, will not only bring out some cled by loose, graceful folds of meline, notably handsome bridal gowns, but by reason of the many guests to be entertained at the various companies, where the purse or taste of the wearer may sug-

The average Washington maid or maron is perfectly contented with this little season of complete independence which permits her to go about to afternoon teas and informal dinners, to the theater, with or without a supper party to follow, in her last year's clothes; as a result, she enjoys a serenity of manner and peace of mind quite incomprehensible to her more servile sister from New York, or some other cities, where last year's clothes are unknown in smart society, and where the wearing of a summer hat in the autumn would be sufficient to dedrawing rooms

Parade on F Street.

The really newest gowns on view just now are in the shopping regions along F street, where scores of smart women are to be met every day from 11 to 1 o'clock, and at the small, and thus far informal, teas of the afternoon, with Sunday at the Chevy Chase Club.

For morning wear nearly every one is out in new gowns, many of them with

The present commander of the Fourth Immunes, Capt. Daniel C. Eberly, has declined to stand for renomination, though many of his comrades have tried to persuade him. During his year of office to per ed off the face to the left side and trim- tion with Washington.

and instead of considering the "right weil from this mysterious personality. An while that of junior vice will go, it is of the wearer, is finished with a deep good from a book," consider rather its admirer of this writer's works wrote to predicted, to Sergt. S. G. Mawson, now silk collar, slightly pointed in the back flavor of sensationalism which takes them out of themselves and allows them for a photograph and for a description of while to forget the "cares which infest the publishers asking G. B. Lancaster for a photograph and for a description of while to forget the "cares which infest the personality of the hero of his most the day." The average novel reader is respondent got a letter from New Zealand, which seems to fix the author's opening of hostilities between the United in dahlia shades, with close trimming and heavily stitched gloves, complete this

Mrs. Rufus W. Peckham, wife of Mr. Justice Peckham, of the Supreme Court, after several years of mourning, is wear ing a smart gown in light gray cloth, the skirt somewhat longer than the usual tailor gown and the coat trimmed in gray With this goes a gray toque and Clubhouse Proposed at the Last particularly long and rich feather boa, shading from a deep steel gray to a pro-

nounced and lustrous silver. Mrs. Scott Favors Rough Cloth.

Another dignified toilet in which the ventilated. West Virginia, whose favorite shopping Stella Reid Crothers, associate editor of gown is of rough cloth, so dark as to be almost black, with severely made three- away from Washington by wireless, quarter close-fitting coat and plain, round skirt, just escaping the ground. chinchilla fur, and carries a large muff velvet, silver embroidered and finished with black aigrette.

Madame des Portes de la Fosse, wife of

on the skillful lines along which the skirt A committee, consisting of Miss Mabel is cut.

Louise White, Mrs. Juliette M. Babbitt, The jacket is a three-quarter length,

have little appeal to the Japanese mind, but it is declared that the acting of it Rose A. Emmons, of San Francisco, Cal., without trimming beyond the velvet of rich brown and metal buttons in fancy whose death occurred a few weeks ago. gilt. The latter, which are slightly larger, Greetings from the Illinois Press Club not only closed the front, but were used to partly supported by the government, and were presented through an interesting mark the walst line in the back, quite the best actors of the empire are enwith this is a soft felt of a wood brown Mrs. Frye, the president, introduced the shade, the crown of which is quite prosubject of a clubhouse for the League of nounced. It is trimmed in folds of brown American Pen Women, which was hearti- velvet and soft pink silk, with the right ly indorsed, and an interesting discussion side further ornamented by a pink bird, followed relative to ways and means for flat against the crown and extending from Mrs. Susie Roots Rhodes, librarian, re- coiffure. A cachepeign of pink silver and he had entirely forgotten its existence talking through it. "Good nature doesn't ful occurrences, heroic deeds, unparalleled ported several new additions to the the inevitable brown tule thits the hat to and returned home on foot,

Sheridan Twins in Red.

The twin daughters of Mrs. Philip H. Sheridan are wearing suits of red cloth made alike, with short skirts laid in nar-Ontario to the league as headquarters, which was accepted with the thanks and short Eton jackets opening over white From the Philadelphia Press. meeting of the league will be at the On- red silk, and the reveres of the smart lit- disdainful sniff. "The idea of your protle jackets also of red silk.

Their hats are a modified sailor shape, with felds of red taffeta ribbon and velvet of the same shade, encircling the crown and forming a large chou at the left side. Shaded red quills plercing the chou and cachepeigne of the taffeta ribbon completed the trimming.
Miss Jean Crosby, youngest daughter

of the late Admiral Pierce Crosby, who has just returned from an eighteen months' residence in Europe with innumerable pretty gowns, is wearing a short tailor suit of blue and green plaid of rather large pattern, but so well broken in the different lines of color as to be most pleasing to the eye, as well as very be coming the blond coloring of its hand-

The skirt is made with deep pleats from belt to hem, each pleat trimmed in black silk braid. The short Eton tacket is also trimmed in black braid, and worn over a soft white blouse, with a red patent leather belt taking the place of the usual

The smart little hat topping this is of fancy braid, containing all the colors of

BRIDES the suit, and several additional tones in red. The hat is a round sailor shape, worn tilted over the face, with trimming worn tilted over the face, with trimming

A particularly modish visiting gown

brought out last week is Miss Winifred

Mattingly's pastel blue broadcloth, made

of dark velvet and red roses Miss Mattingly's Gown.

with a round skirt laid in flat side pleats which extend from the belt almost to the hem, the latter just escaping the ground. The coat is long and close-fitting in the back, but cut off at the waistcoat line, thoughtfully twisted the bachelor's even- takes the prize in the husband market, leaving the front and sides of the skirt ing newspaper into a row of accordion while the beauty is going around wrapped well in view. The waistcoat is of the plaits, "what a sensation a woman cresame blue cloth, richly embroidered in ates when she does anything original?" of Dress that Has Been Her Char- blue and silver. The reveres, which lay acteristic-Mrs. Rufus Peckham, well back toward the shoulders, are treat-

Fosse Seen in Stunning Costumes. blouse of white Irish lace shows above the low-cut waistcoat.

The cuts of the long cost seeds above the widow hurriedly. "I'm thinking posed the widow hurriedly. "I'm thinking about that Chicago girl who offered herelor's newspaper and began rolling it into low-cut waistcoat. With this Miss Mattingly wears a large self for sale at her market value. Why a ball. The next few weeks, which are rich in round hat of black velvet, the crown of should men be so astonished-which is quite pronounced, being encir- "We aren't astonished." pr

the back to the low coiffure. point lace used in as great profusion as ticularly worthy of mention, as it is a return to the double skirt of long ago, being the night edition dramatically, "what lag in two distinct pieces, similar to a has woman stood for in the matrimonial Except at the weddings, there will be comparatively little opportunity or inclination for ceremonious dressing until white silk braid. The coat also has white braid in graceful motifs, in addition to the pastel embroidery of old blue that forms a narrow edge on each front. The hat is of large, soft white felt, the wide brim urned well up at the left side by a cluster of blue coque feathers. The crown is trimmed with a wreath of foliage and the now popular clusters of grapes, the latter takbop like known quantity man lifts up that counts in get you, for instance—"I haven't any metals a woman is, but that counts in get you, for instance—"I haven't any metals a woman is, but the counts in get you, for instance—"I haven't any metals a woman is, but the counts in get you. of blue coque feathers. The crown is trimmed with a wreath of foliage and the now popular clusters of grapes, the latter taking on the prevailing blue tone.

PRESIDENT IN SEA PALACE

with Most Luxurious Quarters.

Will Be in Close Touch with the Country by Wireless at Every Stage of Her Voyage.

The new battle ship Louisiana, on which properly distributed at the altar. the mark of a London or Paris taflor con- President Roosevelt is making his trip miserly old gentleman with his eye or the mark of a London or Paris tailor concealed beneath the collar, giving a happy consciousness to the possessor thereof.

Mrs. Roosevelt, whose example of simplicity in dress has received much notice since her coming to the White News and frequent departments are the finest ever installed on the possessor thereof.

Department has left nothing undone for the part white the part to the possessor that the president Roosevelt is making his trip to Panama, was completely refitted for the President's use. The President Roosevelt is making his trip has before marrying the girl with a 25 per cent bonbon appetite or a 99 per cent per ce

had taken place on the lower deck. "Well, be chosen. The election will take place ent-day wonders, seldom penetrates to by a temporary bulkhead, and the President to her disposition and the thin places in

dent receives the heads of Southern gov ernments; a large living room, for general use of the President and his party: President will attend to official business, and with fine light: the President's state room, designed for the admiral's ters; a large stateroom, intended for the admiral's chief of staff, for Mrs. Roosevelt, and six other staterooms and bathrooms for other members of the party. The President will break traditions in the navy by spending so long a time on a ship. There will be no special decorations in the President's quarters, excepting that there will be a few additional wicker chairs, a large desk, where the official pa-

tropical climates. The reception and living gray tones predominate is that of Mrs. rooms are separated by a corridor from N. B. Scott, wife of the Senator from which leads the stairways to the deck. At no time during the trip will President Roosevelt be more than an hour has been taken in making the itinerary of the Louisiana to keep within constant communication by wireless with stations on shore, which can at once send messages to or from Washington to the ship. Lieut, Frank Taylor Evans, the Presi-Rear Admiral Evans, has been assigned the work of keeping the President in constant communication with Washing-Washington. When on the isthmus the President will be continually in communieation by telephone and telegraph

Found Bicycle Waiting for Him.

the wireless station at Panama.

required the services of his bicycle. He could not find the machine, and upon "To masculine egotism," said the widow lies and confutes all errors; and a book could not find the machine, and upon searching his memory recalled the fact that he had made the visit of the previous afternoon on his bicycle, but, in leaving the apartment house, the way was so blocked with automobiles and car"Pooh!" mocked side further ornamented by a pink bird, leaving the apartment house, the way flat against the crown and extending from the front of the brim well back on the low riages that in failing to see his machine the front of the brim well back on the low riages that in failing to see his machine the front of the bachelor's newspaper and erable antiquities, strange events, wonder-A visit to Connecticut avenue revealed

the bicycle outside the apartment house in the exact position against a tree trunk in which the clergyman had left it. Washington is an honest city.

What Attracted Him

"Stop!" commanded Miss Nurox, with a etter, but no richer.

It is not true that I come no more.

Knocking once. I do not find you in;

For every day I am at your door. To meet and greet you glad again, Wall not fer me as passed away, Nor think your chances on the wa But trust and wait the coming day Then strive again with might and main, Think not of hopes that have fled, You'll not drive me from your door; Roused from your delusive sleep, You will not say I come no more. Backward do not think aghast,

Of lest opportunity's telling blow; From blotted pages of the past, Turn to leaves as white as snow. On these white leaves you may write The tale of success in its unit

J. FLETCHER J. band that no goddess can rival. Cheer-

WOMAN'S REAL VALUE

From the Chicago Record-Herald. "Isn't it funny," said the widow, as she

"We aren't astonished." protested the backelor, mournfully watching the trans-

'Why?" asked the widow, suddenly repointing out Sirus and Orion to a girl at midnight in the month of July.

Style in literature is a fetich over which many a writer stumbles, as if style were a thing separate and apart of the lodge.

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The back to the low coffure.

Another stylish y tisting gown in coat with skirt model is a white broadcloth worn by Miss Pauline Magruder, with touches of old blue about the jacket and worn by Miss Pauline Magruder, with touches of old blue about the jacket and touches of old blue about the jacket and worn by Miss Pauline Magruder, with touches of old blue about the jacket and worn by Miss Pauline Magruder, with touches of old blue about the jacket and worn by Miss Pauline Magruder, with touches of old blue about the jacket and worn by Miss Pauline Magruder, with touches of old blue about the jacket and worn by Miss Pauline Magruder, with touches of old blue about the jacket and worn by Miss Pauline Magruder, with touches of old blue about the jacket and worn by Miss Pauline Magruder, with the casing the accordion does in the same to the lodge to the lodge to the lodge of the lodge is a white broadcloth worn by Miss Pauline Magruder, with to Garnd Master E. What is a seril with the same to the lodge

"I don't know what you mean, Mr. Travers," she remarked coldly. "X," explained the bachelor, "is the unknown quantity-the thing that keeps

his hands in horror. "In self-protection, you mean," corrected the bachelor taking out a cigar and lighting it reflectively. "He doesn't want matrimony abolished altogether, which it would be if we all knew in advance—"

"Not at all," returned the widow emphatically. "That's just what I mean. If a man knew in advance exactly what he was getting in the way of a wife there would be less disappointment and unhap piness afterward. If every woman were appraised and marked at her true valua on before marriage fewer men would be tied up to 98 per cent "jolly" and 2 per cent cook."

"Or 85 per cent tailor and 15 per cent figure," added the bachelor thoughtfully. "Wives," continued the widow, calmly ignoring the interruption, "would be The President's quarters will occupy Arabella to palm off store sponge cake It wouldn't be the slightest temptation to increased nearly 50 per cent. During the year one member has been lost by death, two by transfer, and one has been dropped from the rolls.

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ar chin on her hand and her eyes question, from tions are drawn.

'Men don't marry their cooks any more. food and raiment, and limits the

wives at the altar, anyway."

A Washington clergyman paid a pa"Don't count," interrupted the bachelor of all that is to come. It settles all matemphatically. "Of course a man likes a ter in debate, resolves all doubt, and rochial visit recently to a woman who woman to have sense—but not too much eases the mind and conscience of all their lives in a Connecticut avenue apartment sense. It would be pathetic," he went scruples. It reveals the only living and house. The hour of the visit was at 5 o'clock, and it was quite dark when he departed.

The following morning he started at 11 would know too much about her husband on the patients, he went true God, and shows the way to Him, and to be able to give your wife any advice; and a woman who knows everything would know too much about her husband on the patients. It tevetas the only him, and true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients, he went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients, he went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients, he went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients, he went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients, he went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the control of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the control of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the control of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the control of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the control of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the control of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the control of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the control of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the patients of the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the went true God, and shows the way to Him, and the went true God, and the went true God, and the The following morning he started at 11 to get along with him or to give him that condemns all folly and makes the fool

"You haven't mentioned good nature,"

count at all.

disdainful sniff. "The idea of your proposing to a lady in my station of life! You ought to know better!"

"Weil," replied Mr. Hunter, "I do know better!" for business worries, and the best stimu- indeed; to be ignorant of it is to be She may not be up on the isms, but she's It contains a choice grammar for a novgot common sense enough to be good- ice, and profound mystery for a sage. natured. She may have green eyes, but is the ignorant man's dictionary and the if they twinkle and dance men will think wise man's directory. It affords knowlthem beautiful; she may have a mouth edge of witty inventions for the humor-like a cavern, but if it is always smil- ous, and dark sayings for the grave; and ing and saying pleasant things, men will it is its own interpreter. And that which think it kissable. She may have a figure crowns all is that the Author is without like a laundry bag, but if her presence partiality and without hypocrisy. radiates joyousness and sweetness she whom is no variableness or will possess an attraction for her hus-turning."

fulness is the honey that catches the mas culine fly. The good-natured girl usually blue and silver. The reveres, which lay well back toward the shoulders, are treated to the same embroidery, as also are the cuffs of the long coat sleeves. A blouse of white Irish lace shows above the

"Oh, well," she said, throwing the ball nine goods it isn't worth while to label

"And if it were," agreed the bachelor,

'We'd do it ourselves, Mr. Travers.' "You do it now," replied the bachelor. "Do-what?"

"Set your own valuation on yourselves," replied the bachelor calmly. "The average man takes a woman at her own valuation, doesn't he? If she considers herself worth a brownstone front and an automobile the likelihoods are she will get If she demands devotion and conon herself somebod; will pay it; while, on the other hand, if she is willing to take anything that comes along in the matri-monial market, she is pretty sure to get the scraps or nothing at all. It isn't what a woman is, but what she thinks she is that counts in getting a husband. Now

"I haven't any market value, Mr. Trav-"If you'd only name one-" began the

bachelor, meekly.
"Why?" asked the widow, looking up sidewise under one curl. "I would know whether I could af-

"You couldn't," said the widow, posi-"I've got a brownstone front," protested the bachelor, "and an automobile, and a yacht, and a country place."

The widow lifted her chin. "There are higher things than those, Mr. Travers," she remarked coldly. "And I'm very kind, and docle, and

liberal, and good looking-"
"And conceited," added the widow. "And I've been very much in love with ou for a long time." The widow's eyes melted as she gazed nto the fire. "That," she said softly, "is the price I'd

ask. It's the price most women ask. "But," she added sadly, "I haven't a market value. "Because," said the bachelor, hopelessly, you are above price, I suppose. The widow shook her head.

"No," she said, jumping up and fling-ing the remains of the bachelor's newspaper into the fire, "because I'm not in the market, Mr. Travers." The bachelor threw his cigar into the grate with a last fond look at the charred

remains of his "night edition. "That," he said, as he rose and reached satisfactory refusal I ever had.'

THE BIBLE.

Editor Washington Herald:

me to occupy it? "Says Mr. Lang. "The contrast between what the sallor must really have said to bring on the fight and the 'company language' he reported to the captain shows a very decided sense of style."

There has been more than a little runiosity as to the identity of the writer curiosity as to the identity of the writer curiosity as to the writer writer with a short Eton jacket.

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"Hard on the girls, I mean," explained A nation would, indeed, be truly blessed to bachelor. "Not half so hard as being wrongly appraised and then readjusted and made over after marriage," declared the widow promptly. "No man knows the shock a woman receives when she discovers that a copy for a king and a rule for a subshe has got to live up to a standard that she has got to live up to a standard that is half angel and half cook. Most of the cases in the divorce courts could be traced to woman's deception before marnings, requires an impartial verdict of a large and months at the chief magistrate; it cautions a witness, requires an impartial verdict of a large and months at the chief magistrate; it cautions a witness, requires an impartial verdict of a large and months. iage and man's attempt at her reforma- jury, and furnishes the judge with his tion afterward. But," she pursued thoughtfully, "if they could all be reduced to a common denominator and la-"her" how to manage. It entails honor 'Labeled!" exclaimed the bachelor, to parents, and enjoins obedience to chil-"Who would dare to label them? And where would you find a common denominator, when no two of them are alike?"

"Masculine taste," said the widow, looking up reflectively under one cut "would be subjects to honor and the servants in up up reflectively under one cut "would be cohe, and enjoins obscience to children the subjects to honor and the servants in one of the subjects to honor and the servants in one of the subjects to honor and the servants. ng up reflectively under one curl, "could to obey, and promises the blessing be the common denominator. We might protection of the Almighty to all that egin by allowing 50 per cent for cooking walk by its rules. It gives directions for weddings and for burials. It promises They hire them," declared the bachelor, both. It points out a faithful and eternal 'And 30 per cent for beauty," went on guardian to the departing husband and father-tells him with whom to leave his "Beauty," remarked the bachelor lacon- fatherless children, and in whom ally, "is all right-in other men's wives widow is to trust; and promises a father and in the girl you're going to flirt with, but a man can get used to looking at the lit is the first book, the best book, and the homeliest woman in creation after a year oldest book in the world. It contains the opposite her at the dinner table and across from her at the fireplace. And

he can get used to the prettiest one in the tion that ever was enjoyed. It contains same way, until she doesn't even give him the best laws and the most profound mysa thrill. Besides," he added, reflectively, most men take their last look at their best tidings and affords the best of com-wives at the altar, anyway." fort to the inquiring and disconsolate. It The widow sat up straight and sighed, exhibits life and immortality, and shows 'Well," she began, "there's cleverness the way to glory. It is a brief recital of book in the world, the most authentic, and "It counts 100 per cent," declared the and infernal worlds, and the origin of the bachelor, "when you have it around the angelic myriads, human tribes, and devil-house. It's the oil upon the troubled ish legions. It will instruct the mechanic waters of matrimony. A woman can and the most profound artist. It teaches smile herself into a man's heart more the best rhetorician, and exercises every easily than she can talk herself into it, or cook herself into it, or flirt herself puzzles the wisest anatomist, and exer-Into it. The woman who can smile when the rent is overdue, and laugh when you knock over her imported vase, and be tronomer. It exposes the subtle sophist, fectly contented when the cook leaves and the furnace won't work and the water pipes freeze, is a treasure straight sealed, the best evidence that ever was sealed, the best evidence that ever was from heaven. Cheerfulness in a wife is produced, the best will that ever was made, the best household medicine, the best and the best testament that ever was antidote for divorce, the best anesthetic sealed. To understand it is to be wise lant for work. A cheerful woman is a ray of God's sunshine caught and crystalized into femininity. She doesn't need to wife's best guide, the servant's best directive to the control of the other town and the control of the other town. count 1 per cent on any of the other tory, and the young man's best comvirtues if she can count 190 per cent on panlon; it is the school boy's spelling cheerfulness, because she's got them all. book and the learned man's masterplece.